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STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF
DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed more than three months after the filing date of this application and after the mailing date of the first Office Action, but before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in this application.

The fee of \$180.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is enclosed.

PART II: Information Cited

A. The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

B. The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application.

The applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending applications that may contain subject matter related to this application:

<u>Atty.</u>	<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Title</u>
	M1015.70002US01	Not yet assigned	25 March 2004	Cynthia Bamdad, Shoshana Bamdad	INTERACTION OF COLLOID-IMMOBILIZED SPECIES WITH SPECIES ON NON-COLLOIDAL STRUCTURES
	M1015.70013US01	10/823,097	13 April 2004	Cynthia Bamdad, Shoshana Bamdad	RAPID AND SENSITIVE DETECTION OF PROTEIN AGGREGATION
	M1015.70080US00	10/233,334	30-Aug-2002	Cynthia Bamdad	AFFINITY TAG-MODIFIED PARTICLES
	M1015.70070US00	10/004,275	15-Nov-2001	R. Shoshana Bamdad, Cynthia Bamdad	OLIGONUCLEOTIDE IDENTIFIER
	M1015.70070US01	10/756,802	13-Jan-2004	Cynthia Bamdad, R. Shoshana Bamdad	OLIGONUCLEOTIDE IDENTIFIER
	M1015.70055US01	10/694,525	27-Oct-2003	Cynthia Bamdad, R. Shoshana Bamdad	TANDEM SIGNALING ASSAY

3. The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed Search Report and Written Opinion from a corresponding International Application No. PCT/US01/31061.

PART III: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

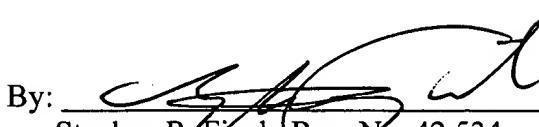
By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

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Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

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Transmitted herewith are the following documents:

- Information Disclosure Statement
- PTO Form 1449 with cited references
- Return Receipt Postcard

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 720-3500, Boston, Massachusetts.

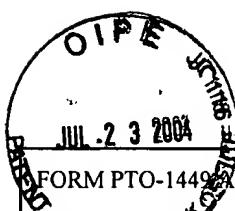
A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for the Information Disclosure Statement. If any additional fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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